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and where nationalization of the medical profession is suggested. The problem of medical benefit under compulsory and state insurance is here considered from every angle and a mass of interesting detail is concisely and succinctly set forth. Among the conclusions reached by Mr. Gibbon is that the medical service under any insurance system ought not be unified, chiefly because of the danger of valetudinarianism and malingering; that free choice of medical practitioners should be granted; and that medical services should be rendered in kind. Altogether this volume of Mr. Gibbon forms a lucid analysis of medical benefit and its relation to insurance on the Continent, and should be of equal value to the legislator and the student interested in a problem that is of profound importance at the present day.

What to Read on Business. New York: Business Book Bureau, 1912.
12mo, pp. 169. 50 cents.

This volume presents an up-to-date list of such books upon business as any business manager or aspiring clerk would find to be profitable reading. The books cited are in the main well selected for the purpose in view; the list is fairly complete; and the descriptions under each title are typical of the contents. Books, encyclopedias, and periodicals are grouped under such classifications as the following: Business Efficiency, Business Management, Advertising and Selling, Corporation Finance, Investments, Banking, Auditing, Bookkeeping, and Cost Accounting. The descriptions given of each book are explanatory rather than critical. The compiler does not give an estimate of the relative values of the books under the several titles. Hence his work constitutes a finding list of titles merely, and a few volumes of indifferent merit, "written to sell," are included. There is need for a comprehensive and critical survey of the books now being written and sold on business topics.

Chile and Her People of Today. By NEVIN O. WINTER. Boston:
L. C. Page & Co., 1912. 8vo, pp. xii+411. \$3.00.

This book is one of a number of studies of various countries that have been published in uniform series. Chile presents a particularly interesting subject for the writer. Natural conditions have made the country unique in some respects, its most remarkable feature being the nitrate and other mineral deposits stored in the deserts of the north. The mining of these products at present forms the chief source of revenue for the country, but in the author's opinion the fertility of its great central valley and the untouched forests of the south hold the brightest promise for the future. As the whole country is underdeveloped and underpopulated, it offers a splendid opportunity for settlers. The author adds much that is of interest regarding the history and development of the country and the character of its people. His presentation is, however, marred by an incoherent, rather illogical, and often quite confusing style.